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HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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APPROVAL OF NEW COURSES BY DEEMED UNIVERSITY
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the deemed universities are starting new courses without the approval of UGC;

(b) if so, the details of such erring universities and action taken against them by the Government;

(c) whether the Government have no control over the intake of students in each course; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) to (d): According to the University Grants Commission (DGC), institutions declared as `Deemed to be Universities` are at par with the State and Central Universities defined under Section 2 (t) of the UOC Act, 1956, for the purpose of offering general courses in Sciences,Social Sciences and Humanities, therefore, no prior approval of the . Commission would be required to start such general courses.In the case of professional/technical courses, Government`s notification dated April 5, 2006 clarifies that prior approval of AICTE is not necessary for deemed universities, however, they are liable to maintain, at least, minimum standards in professional education prescribed by the relevant statutory authority. Further, deemed universities are open to inspection by AICTE / UOC in accordance to the provisions under relevant Rules and Regulations and it is up to UOC to take necessary action, if needed, on the basis of the report of the inspection team.